Talkers/Presenters in Hindi and their credentials:

1. G.S. Chauhan, Freelancer
2. Shivendra Chaturvedi, Freelancer
3. Gurdev Singh, Sports Commentator
4. Nadira Khan, Sports Reporter
5. Vivekanand Joshi, Reporter
6. Hisamuddin Farooqui, Producer, Indira Gandhi National Open University
7. Rakesh Khatri, Radio Commentator (Sports)
8. Madhav Chaturvadi, Journalist

No talkers/presenters have been banned during the period from 1.1.1993 to 31.12.1994.

Setting up airport at Nawaranggpur

2988. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up an airport at Nawaranggpur Jeypore or any other suitable place in undivided Koraput district of Orissa;

(b) if so, by when such proposal is expected to be implemented; and

(c) the steps taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Settlement proposals from farmers on outstanding loans in Andhra Pradesh

2989. SHRI YERRA NARAYANA SWAMY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that branches of nationalised banks are not accepting settlement proposals from farmers on outstanding loans in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether any guidelines have been issued to nationalised banks to receive and scrutinise seriously appeals from farmers; and

(c) details of such guidelines or norms of functioning issued to branch managers of nationalised Banks?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that while they have not issued separate guidelines for receiving and scrutinising appeals from farmers they have advised banks to have a loan recovery policy which inter-alia sets down the manner of recovery of dues, norms for permitted sacrifice/ waivers, factors to be taken into account before considering waivers, decision levels, reporting to higher authorities and monitoring of write-off/waiver cases. All banks, including banks in Andhra Pradesh, are expected to take decisions in individual cases as per their loan recovery policy.

Declaring of entire sindhudurg district as a special tourism area in Maharashtra

2990. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Maharashtra has sent a proposal on the 4th January, 1996 for declaring of entire Sindhudurg District as a special tourism area; and

(b) the response of the central Government to the above proposal for the development of tourism in the State?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF TOURISM: (SHRI SRIKANTA JENA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government of Maharashtra has proposed to declare the entire district of Sindhudurg as Special Tourism Area. The implications of the proposal have been discussed with the State Government.

Threat to employees of state Bank of Indore from Union Leaders

2991. SHRI PARAG CHALIHA:
SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI:
SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received letters from Members of Parliament regarding threats to the employees from Union Leaders of the State Bank of Indore posted at Janakpuri Branch, New Delhi;

(b) if so, whether the matter has been enquired into, if so, the findings and action taken thereon;